

B co. 1/140 Mar 02 Newsletter

First Sergeant's Corner

**MUTA 4 Mar 2-3: Formation 0700
NVG Crews 0900 show time**

If late call (562) 795-2448, 2457.

As the rotor turns

- 1** Boss Lift brief starts at 0830 in Bldg. 913, No dresses, dress warm
- 2** **Spouse Lift brief starts at 1300 at Bldg. 913. Don't forget the family camera.**
- 3** Family brief by Jodie Ochwat at the picnic area 11:30-12:00
- 4** Family BBQ at the picnic area 1200-1300, expect games and displays
- 5** ID Office will be open Sat at Bldg. 18. Over 10 years old get ID's
- 6** For your comfort, bring family folding chairs for the picnic area
- 7** Call in for your commissary card now to 1SG (562) 465-7610. Avoid the line on 3/2
- 8** Last call for the Nellis AFB trip. Submit names to SSG Sutherlin or 1SG. See note
- 9** 4100's are due to PSG's Sunday 0800. BN S-1 due date: 7 March 02
- 10** E-5 NCOER's drafts are due to 1SG for review at the March or April drill, see note

BN/CO CTT Sun 0800, B co. soldiers expected to give classes Sat afternoon carried over from Feb drill. Ready?

Wow! We just got over the February drill and now we're in March.

Usually I would have much more to say but since I've been pretty busy lately I'll try to keep this short this time.

To begin, with respect to the Boss and Spouse lift, the Commander has said it enough about getting either your spouse and/or boss' name in with SSN, address, birth date, two emergency POC's to SSG Elwell. The final cut-off to SSG Elwell is Monday Feb 25 COB but this won't guarantee their flight because you waited to long.

Following up from the Feb newsletter and drill, Soldiers were given the expected testable CTT topics and assigned a task on Feb 9. The one's who didn't teach their classes at the Feb drill are expected to be called on Saturday afternoon. Remember, Sunday is the annual BN/Co. CTT event. B co. needs to help with some of the CTT stations like some NBC tasks.

In addition to the Feb drill, everybody didn't seem to be thrilled filling out their form 93, record of emergency data. Although you may have felt inconvenienced, look at it as spending only a fraction of your time on something that will help avoid regret in an emergency situation. With your family and significant other in mind in a deployed situation or another emergency, you can either wait until the last minute trying to get your soldier and personal matters in order or start now and make it easier for all. For your convenience, I will

mail a Family Readiness Handbook to look over, discuss with your spouse, significant other, or even your parents. Because when it comes down to it, do want to leave them in the dark when they need Guard info promptly? Please don't discard this but add it to your home file. My wife Linda attended the Basic Family Support training on Feb 9. Her and I will be working on B co's family support plan soon.

Serving proudly, 1SG Cabrera

Platoon Sergeant's Comments

SFC Velasquez APART'S KNOW WHEN THEY ARE? CHECK WITH SGT. PRUITT. BY THE WAY, SGT. PRUITT WILL BE GONE TO THE HATS COURSE (HIGH ALTITUDE TRAINING SITE) FROM 23 FEB TO 03 MAR. CHECK THE WEB SITE FOR MISSIONS. WE NEED HELP TO FULFILL ALL OF THESE MISSIONS. ALSO, YOU NEED TO PREPARE YOURSELF FOR APFT COMING SOON.

SFC Linture 1) Last reminder for 4100 input. Don't forget to bring in any supporting documents to be input. I will be reviewing the 4100 worksheets with you individually. This will be your last opportunity, since they must be completed by COB. 2) E-5 counseling must be complete by COB on Sunday. There is a new NCO Counseling Checklist/Record, DA Form 2166-8-1, which looks muck like the old one. 3) SGT Scott indicated he will be giving a class on how to quickly and thoroughly to clean the SAW's and M-16's.

NELLIS AFB TRIP, FINAL CALL, MARCH 8-10, TWO UH-60's have requested, READ THIS!

Apparently, there has been some confusion about who is the B co. POC for this event? Names have been submitted from the previous drills. However, CW4 Doublier and SFC Linture are recognized as going. For the sake of getting the B co. official list correct for the last time, I hope you're your reading this letter because the 1SG will take the final list and will work it with SSG Sutherlin. As you know C co. is hosting this at SFC Venegas is the Nellis POC. But don't bother him; just call your name into the 1SG at (562) 465-7610 ASAP. Don't wait too long because you need to make your BOQ/BEQ reservation real soon!

Aircraft request snap shot

Here are the Commander's aircraft requests to the facility Commander:

2-3 Mar IDT - 4 UH-60A - two for boss/spouse lift & two for check rides/sling-loads/NVG/multi-ship. When the boss/spouse lifts are complete the aircraft will be put into training for a four aircraft multi-ship training.

Nellis AFB - 8-10 Mar - two UH-60A for flight to and training at Nellis.

5-7 Apr IDT - four (4) UH-60A for FTX at Camp Roberts.

19-27 Apr AT/IDT - six (six) UH-60A for annual training.

Retention/Strength Management

Yes, we're in mourning now that Jason Rivas has joined the ranks of civilians. Will he let his hair grow

out? More importantly, will he return? We'll still send him newsletter anyway.

SGT Richards' ETS Mar 3, 2002, 60 day interview due. If you haven't done so, you need to call SSG Sutherlin **NOW** and state your desires. **You expire March 3.**

SPC Roberts and SGT Marquez have been scheduled for retention school. Hats off to these soldiers. Expect an awesome looking B co. retention bulletin board from school.

Those re-enlisting are entitled to a BN coffee mug compliments of the BN S-1 and CSM Lowe.

April is a busy month, with drill and Annual Training. Another reminder

Regular drill: MUTA 5 April 5-7

April 20-27, perform tactical training operations as part of TAM to be evaluated by 5th Army. Here are the tasks we will be evaluated on per the ARTEP 113 manual:

- (1) **Plan**/organize the move.
- (2) Occupy an assembly area.
- (3) Establish and maintain a Tactical Operations Center (TOC).
- (4) Conduct air movement operations.
- (5) Conduct downed aircrew recovery operations.
- (6) Conduct Forward Area Refueling Point (FARP) operations.

Outstanding AMC screenings.

CPT Wollman, CW2 Carlomagno, CW4 Gibson, Price, SPC Roberts, CW4 Solee, PFC Velazquez. You are directed by the BN XO to get it done Sunday

afternoon immediately after the Sunday 1300 formation

JAN and Feb DRILL FOLLOW UP

Unit level maintenance still needed on M-60's AIR 5, 10, 11, and 14

Way over due soldier counseling on SPC Nobriga and SGT Gibson

Platoon Sergeants need to complete the Butler Bldg sub hand receipt process, you were given each a 5200 series lock at the Jan drill.

Army Knowledge Online (AKO)

This is a hot matter with NGB. Currently B co. has 30 soldiers not registered. Go to:

www.us.army.mil

Don't be surprised if you're given a company appointment time to register at drill.

Looking for company EEO Representative

An EEO class is scheduled for March 10-16 at Los Al and we need a volunteer to take on this additional duty. EEO skills are a great asset in the work force today! Please submit your name to the 1SG ASAP!! Call him at (562) 465-7610.

Drug & Alcohol Test Administers Class Coming to Los Al Mar 2-3 at Bldg. 6

B co. recently had one of our NCO's attend this exciting course. We sure could use one more, preferably an Officer type. Don't be shy

SPC Nobriga get your camera ready for company pictures on Sat